

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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GAUGE CONVERSION OF BALAGHAT TO JABALPUR RAILWAY LINE

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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of funds utilized out of the funds allocated for gauge conversion of the Balaghat to Jabalpur Railway line via Nainpur in Madhya Pradesh during the last financial year; and

(b) the details of funds likely to be provided for the gauge-conversion work started on the Balaghat Nainpur route during the current financial year?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a): An outlay of Rs. 57.40 crore was provided for Gondia–Balaghat–Nainpur–Jabalpur (including Balaghat–Katangi branch line) (285 Kms) gauge conversion project in the Budget 2006–07. Expenditure incurred on the project during 2006–07 was Rs. 72.52 crore.

(b): An outlay of Rs. 60 crore has been provided for Gondia–Jabalpur (including Balaghat–Katangi branch line) (285 Kms) gauge conversion project in the Budget 2007–08.